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SUBJECT: OPIC INSURANCE FOR SINGER PROJECT

REF : SEPT. 10 JOHNSTON LETTER TO ASHIDA

UPON RECEIPT OF SUBJECT LETTER COMATT CHECKED WITH MR. MICHEL, DIRECTOR OF CONG TY MAY VIET-NAM (VIET-NAM SEWING MACHINE CO.), TO ASCERTAIN THE EXACT SCOPE OF FIRM'S ACTIVITIES. MICHEL CONFIRMED TO COMATT IN WRITING THAT FIRM ONLY MANUFACTURES AND SELLS SEWING MACHINES. FRENCH TRADING FIRM LUCIA, WHICH OWNS 90 PERCENT OF SHARES OF SEWING MACHINE COMPANY (SINGER HAVING THE REMAINING 10 PERCENT), ONLY USES THE LATTER'S IDLE FACILITIES TO MANUFACTURE BICYCLES AND HANDICRAFTS. WHICH ARE SOLD DOMESTICALLY OR ABROAD. BOTH LUCIA AND SEWING MACHINE COMPANY HAVE SAME MANAGEMENT. FOR EXAMPLE, MICHEL IS A DIRECTOR IN BOTH FIRMS. IT IS HOPED FOREGOING WILL HELP CLARIFY STATUS OF SINGER PROJECT AND THAT OPIC BOARD CAN GIVE IT FAVORABLE CONSIDERATION AT BOARD'S NEXT MEETING.  
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